

SENATE BILL No. 52

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 36-9-44.

Synopsis: Prohibition on use of dedicated lanes. Prohibits a public transportation project, including the blue line, from including one or more dedicated lanes for the exclusive use of public transportation vehicles.

Effective: Upon passage.

Freeman

January 8, 2024, read first time and referred to Committee on Appropriations.



Second Regular Session of the 123rd General Assembly (2024)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2023 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 36-9-44 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON
3 PASSAGE]:

4 **Chapter 44. Dedicated Lanes**

5 **Sec. 1. This chapter does not apply to a dedicated lane for which**
6 **construction is completed before March 31, 2024.**

7 **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "blue line" means the**
8 **Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IndyGo)**
9 **east-west bus rapid transit line primarily along Washington Street,**
10 **between the Indianapolis International Airport, downtown**
11 **Indianapolis, and Cumberland, as described and mapped in the**
12 **IndyGo Blue Line Rapid Transit Indianapolis, Indiana, Small**
13 **Starts Project Development Rating Assignment by the United**
14 **States Department of Transportation Federal Transit**
15 **Administration in November 2019. If the route is renamed or a**
16 **new rating assignment is submitted and it continues to be a**
17 **substantially similar route as compared to the November 2019**



1 rating report, the definition still applies.

2 **Sec. 3.** As used in this chapter, "dedicated lane" means a portion
3 of a street designated by signs, markings, or other means for the
4 exclusive use of public transportation vehicles.

5 **Sec. 4.** As used in this chapter, "public transportation project"
6 refers to an action taken to plan, design, acquire, construct,
7 enlarge, improve, renovate, maintain, equip, or operate a public
8 transportation system.

9 **Sec. 5.** A public transportation project, including the blue line,
10 may not include one (1) or more dedicated lanes.

11 **SECTION 2.** An emergency is declared for this act.

